

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A White Board system permitting a plurality of users to collaborate with one another  
irrespective of the respective user's hardware platform or operating system, includes a server  
computer, and a plurality of client computers coupled to the server computer. Preferably, each of the  
client computers logs into the server computer and is thereby assigned a unique identifier, each of the  
client computers includes a graphical user interface (GUI) which selectively displays any combination  
10 of objects having active content, active hyperlinks, and text, each of the client computers transmits  
user-generated objects to the server computer for selective retransmission to respective one of the  
client computers, the server selectively controls transmission of all user-generated objects to  
respective ones of the computers responsive to the respective assigned identifier, and the server  
commands one of the client computers to update a new client computer when the new client  
15 computer logs into the server. A method for operating a computer network to facilitate collaboration  
between users and software for implementing the method are also described.